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Amendments to the claims:

1. (canceled)
2. (canceled)
3. (currently amended) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage, comprising:  
a first sidewall;  
a second sidewall;  
a partition located between said first sidewall and said second sidewall, with one end of said partition being positioned adjacent to said first sidewall, and an opposite end of said partition being positioned adjacent to said second sidewall, said partition having an interior void which is filled with a flowable material, wherein said flowable material sets within said partition to form a solid core, and said flowable material sets and adheres to said first sidewall and to said second sidewall and connects said first sidewall to said second sidewall, wherein an entire perimeter of said first sidewall extends beyond an outside perimeter of said solid core,  
wherein said first sidewall and said second sidewall are formed of a material other than said flowable material.
4. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein a continuous void is formed which extends through said first sidewall, said core and said second sidewall.
5. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein said first sidewall is generally circular and is

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generally concentric with said partition, wherein said outside perimeter of said partition is generally circular.

6. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 4, wherein said first sidewall is generally circular and is generally concentric with said partition, wherein said outside perimeter of said partition is generally circular.
7. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein said partition is formed of paper.
8. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 5, wherein said first sidewall is formed of paper.
9. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein said first sidewall is formed of corrugated material.
10. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 7, wherein said first sidewall is formed of corrugated paper.
11. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 8, wherein said first sidewall is formed of corrugated paper.

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12. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein said first sidewall is formed of wood.
13. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein said first sidewall is formed of Styrofoam.
14. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein said flowable material is polyurethane foam.
15. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 4, wherein said flowable material is polyurethane foam.
16. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 5, wherein said flowable material is polyurethane foam.
17. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 6, wherein said flowable material is polyurethane foam.
18. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 7, wherein said flowable material is polyurethane foam.
19. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 8, wherein said flowable material is polyurethane foam.

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20. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 9, wherein said flowable material is polyurethane foam.
21. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 3, wherein said partition is formed of an outer ring and an inner ring, and wherein said void which is filled with said flowable material is present between said outer ring and said inner ring.
22. (currently amended) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage, comprising:  
a first sidewall ;  
a second sidewall;  
a partition located between said first sidewall and said second sidewall, with one end of said partition being positioned adjacent to said first sidewall, and an opposite end of said partition being positioned adjacent to said second sidewall, said partition having an interior void into which a flowable and expandable material is placed, wherein said flowable and expandable material expands and sets within said partition to fill said interior void and form a solid core, and said flowable and expandable material sets and adheres to said first sidewall and to said second sidewall and connects said first sidewall to said second sidewall, wherein an entire perimeter of said first sidewall extends beyond an outside perimeter of said solid core,  
wherein said first sidewall and said second sidewall are formed of a material other than said flowable and expandable material.

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23. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein a continuous void is formed which extends through said first sidewall, said core and said second sidewall.
24. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall is generally circular and is generally concentric with said partition, wherein said outside perimeter of said partition is generally circular.
25. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 23, wherein said first sidewall is generally circular and is generally concentric with said partition, wherein said outside perimeter of said partition is generally circular.
26. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said partition is formed of paper.
27. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall comprises paper.
28. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall comprises plastic.

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29. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall comprises wood.
30. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall is formed of corrugated paper.
31. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall is formed of wood.
32. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said flowable and expandable material comprises an expandable foam.
33. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said flowable and expandable material comprises polyurethane foam.
34. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said flowable and expandable material comprises a polyol and an isocyanate.
35. (previously presented) A reel around which a product is wound for transportation and storage as described in Claim 22, wherein said partition is formed of an outer ring and an inner ring, and wherein said interior void is present between said outer ring and said inner ring.